

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Jane Bobbitt, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Charles A. Hunnicutt, of Georgia, to be Assistant Secretary for International Aviation, Nancy Elizabeth McFadden, of California, to be General Counsel, and Gail Clements McDonald, of Maryland, to be Administrator, and George D. Milidrag, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Advisory Board, both of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, all of the Department of Transportation, Ernest J. Moniz, of Massachusetts, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration promotions list received in the Senate on October 13, 1995, and certain United States Coast Guard promotions lists;

S. 1396, to provide for the regulation of surface transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1239, to amend title 49, United States Code, with respect to the regulation of interstate transportation by common carriers engaged in civil aviation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1164, to amend the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980 with respect to inventions made under cooperative research and development agreements, with an amendment; and

S. 776, to authorize funds for programs of the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act and the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation and Recreation held hearings on S. 342, to establish the Cache La Poudre River National Water Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, S. 364 and H.R. 629, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the operation of certain visitor facilities associated with, but outside the boundaries of, Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado, S. 489, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an appropriate form of agreement with the Town of Grand Lake, Colorado, authorizing the town to maintain permanently a cemetery in the Rocky Mountain National Park, S. 608, to establish

the New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and S. 231 and H.R. 562, bills to modify the boundaries of Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona, after receiving testimony from Senators Kennedy and Kerry; Representatives Blute, Frank, Allard, and McInnis; Denis P. Galvin, Associate Director, Professional Services, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Mark Reimers, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Mayor Gene M. Stover, Grand Lake, Colorado; William S. Carle, H.W. Stewart, Inc., Estes Park, Colorado; Curt W. Buchholtz, Estes Park, Colorado, on behalf of the Rocky Mountain National Park Associates, Inc. and the Rocky Mountain Nature Association; Brian Werner, Loveland, Colorado, on behalf of the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District and the Poudre River Trust; Anne B. Brengle, Old Dartmouth Historical Society Whaling Museum, New Bedford, Massachusetts; and Betsy McKellar, Friends of Walnut Canyon, Flagstaff, Arizona.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Phillip A. Singerman, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, and Rear Adm. John Carter Albright, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission.

FAMILY PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on H.R. 1271, to protect the privacy of families by requiring parental consent for certain types of information asked of minors in Federally funded surveys and evaluations, receiving testimony from Senator Grassley; Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; Wade F. Horn, Gaithersburg, Maryland, on behalf of the National Fatherhood Initiative; Art Mathias, Christian Coalition of Alaska, Anchorage; Robert H. Knight, Family Research Council, and Felice J. Levine, American Sociological Association, on behalf of the Research and Privacy Coalition, both of Washington, D.C.; Lloyd D. Johnston, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Sue Rusche, National Families in Action, Atlanta, Georgia; and Matthew Hilton, Springville, Utah.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nominations of Sidney R. Thomas, of Montana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Todd J. Campbell, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, P. Michael Duffy, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Kim McLane Wardlaw, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and E. Richard Webber, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; and

S.J. Res. 38, granting the consent of Congress to the Vermont-New Hampshire Interstate Public Water Supply Compact.

Also, committee ordered reported H.J. Res. 79, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress and the States to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, and failed to approve S. Res. 104, referring S. 676 entitled "A bill for the relief of D.W. Jacobson, Roland Karkala, and Paul Bjorgen of Grand Rapids, Minnesota, and for other

purposes" to the Chief Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a report on the bill.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, November 15.

WHITEWATER

Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters: Committee continued hearings to examine certain issues relative to Whitewater Development Corporation, focusing on the handling of certain documents following the death of Deputy White House Counsel Vincent Foster, receiving testimony from Jane C. Sherburne, Special Counsel to the President; and Lloyd Cutler, former Special Counsel to the President.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, November 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H.R. 2601–2611; and 2 private bills, H.R. 2612, 2613; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 263 were introduced. **Pages H12084–85**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 259, providing for the consideration of H.R. 2539, to abolish the Interstate Commerce Commission, and to amend subtitle IV of title 49, United States Code, to reform economic regulation of transportation (H. Rept. 104–329);

H. Res. 260, waiving the provisions of clause 4(b) of House rule XI against the consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 104–330);

H. Res. 331, providing for the consideration of Senate amendments to H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996 (H. Rept. 104–331); and

H. Res. 332, providing for the consideration of Senate amendments to H.R. 2586, to provide for a temporary increase in the public debt limit (H. Rept. 104–332). **Page H12084**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Fox of Pennsylvania to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H11977**

Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 338 yeas to 66 nays, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 776, the House approved the Journal of Wednesday, November 8.

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D.C. Appropriations: House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2546, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996; and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representative Walsh, Bonilla, Kingston, Frelinghuysen, Neumann, Livingston, Dixon, Durbin, Kaptur, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Dixon motion to instruct House conferees to insist on the House position relating to technical corrections to the Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Act. **Pages H11981–82**

Product Liability: House disagreed to the Senate amendment H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation; and asked a conference. Appointed as conferees:

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of the House bill, and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Hyde, Sensenbrenner, Gekas, Inglis of South Carolina, Bryant of Tennessee, Conyers, Schroeder, and Berman.